

Chapter 7 Questions**Multiple Choice**

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question. The section number for the question is in the parentheses.

- _____ 1. The Incan civilization developed (1)
a. along a narrow desert bordering the Pacific Ocean.
b. in the jungles of the Amazon rain forest.
c. in the Andes mountains of South America.
d. on islands off the coast of South America.
- _____ 2. A key example of Incan social organization was the _____ that shared food and resources among group members. (1)
a. ayllu
b. Inti
c. mita
d. quipu
- _____ 3. Why was the mita system important to the Incas? (1)
a. They used it to calculate the movements of the stars.
b. They used it to collect taxes in the form of physical labor.
c. They used it to design the beautiful patterns on their fine textiles.
d. They used it to fit stone blocks together without using mortar.
- _____ 4. Which of the following homes would a migrating hunter of the Great Plains be likely to live in? (2)
a. A domed house made from blocks of snow
b. A rectangular building big enough for many families
c. A cone-shaped home moved easily from place to place
d. A round home made from bent trees and covered with bark
- _____ 5. The peoples who formed the Iroquois League came from which culture area of North America? (2)
a. Northeast
b. Northwest
c. Southeast
d. Southwest
- _____ 6. What archaeological evidence taught scholars about the culture of the Mississippians? (2)
a. Palaces built into the side of cliffs
b. Kayaks designed to hunt animals over long distances
c. Large earthen mounds built for religious purposes
d. Totem poles decorated with animal symbols
- _____ 7. Scientists rely heavily upon what kind of evidence to learn about early Native North Americans? (2)
a. Written records
b. Stone monuments
c. Religious epics
d. Artifacts
- _____ 8. How did the geography of the Andes affect the Incas? (1)
a. It was so cold that the Incas could not grow crops.
b. The steep hills forced the Incas to build terraces to farm.
c. The large mountain forests provided most of their needs.
d. The Incas had to rely almost totally on fishing for their food supply.

- _____ 9. Which of the following statement best describes how the Incan government would react to a natural disaster? (1)
- Priests would not pray to the gods for relief from suffering.
 - The poor would be left to take care of themselves.
 - The central government would distribute food and clothing.
 - Each village would act independently of the others.
- _____ 10. Incan architects and engineers are famous for building (1)
- thousands of miles of roads to connect the empire.
 - stone bridges crossing deep mountain gorges.
 - aqueducts to carry water from distant lakes.
 - deep mountain wells used to irrigate crops.
- _____ 11. The Incas created the quipu, a record-keeping device made from (1)
- thin sheets of gold.
 - woven sheets of cloth.
 - stone calendars.
 - knotted pieces of string.
- _____ 12. What is the best explanation for the remarkable success of the Incan empire? (1)
- They were constantly conquering rivals and never lost a battle.
 - They convinced other peoples to join them peacefully.
 - They lived in the middle of an abundance of resources.
 - They had a well-organized, highly efficient society and government.

Completion

Complete each statement.

- The Incas adapted to the rocky mountain slopes by building _____ to grow crops. (1)
- The plentiful resources of the Northwest helped make the _____ ceremony possible (2)

Short Answer

- Contrast the advantages and disadvantages of living in the Andes for the Incas. (1)
- What methods did the Incas use to unify their large empire? (1)
- Why do scholars use the term hierarchy to describe Incan society? (1)
- How were Incan art and astronomy connected to their religion? (1)
- Why is archaeology so important for understanding the Native North Americans? (2)
- How did the environment influence the cultures of the Northwest and Southwest? (2)
- How did the arrival of Europeans affect the peoples of the Great Plains and the Subarctic? (2)
- In what ways were the Arctic and Eastern Woodlands cultures different? (2)